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**SPORTS BETTING INDUSTRY BULLETIN 8**

**RE: Rule 5.2 - Application to Authorize New Sports Events - Boxing and MMA Requests**

This Industry Bulletin is to provide notification that due to integrity control concerns, Boxing and MMA requests submitted by sports betting licensees that are not listed in the [Official Catalog of Events and Wagers](#) will be reviewed on a case by case basis.

Pursuant to Sports Betting Rule 5.2, the Division takes the following into consideration prior to authorizing a sports event, league, or portion of a sport or athletic event:

- Name of the sports governing body;
- A description of its policies and procedures regarding event integrity;
- Any relevant input from the sports governing body or conductor of the sports event;
- Whether the outcome is determined solely by chance;
- Whether the outcome can be verified;
- Whether the event generating the outcome is conducted in a manner that ensures sufficient integrity controls exist so the outcome can be trusted;
- That the outcome is not affected by any bet placed; and
- Whether the event is conducted in conformity with all applicable laws.

Matches that tend to deviate from any normal rule associated with Pro Matches within Boxing and MMA, as set by the Association of Boxing Commissions and Combative Sports, or equivalent may not be approved.

Examples of changes that would not be considered or approved:

- Glove weight change
- Round time modifications
- Venue changes to accommodate sanctioning the fight
- Judging changes
- Fighters that are NOT pro ranked
- Mixed weight class fights
- Contracts that would prevent either fighter from performing to their full potential
- Any match that does not result in a W/L/D on the fighters pro ranking

Requests for Boxing and MMA matches must include information about the event and shall not deviate from governing body rules.